

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application. If any claims are designated "cancelled," please cancel such claims without prejudice.

Listing of Claims:

1-44. [Previously Cancelled]

45. [Previously Amended] A system for providing and monitoring electronic collaboration among users comprising:

means for internet access;

a meeting environment;

means for allowing mitigation of a set of protocol rules within said meeting environment; and

an object based client-server architecture functionally supporting said meeting environment and said means for allowing mitigation of said protocol rules by virtue of a set of application program interfaces, which allow communication between said means for allowing mitigation of said set of protocol rules and said meeting environment,

wherein said set of protocol rules is based on Robert's Rules of Order and is created by a colored petri net.

46. [Previously Presented] The system for providing and monitoring electronic collaboration among users according to claim 45 further comprising:

- a meeting registration function;
- a meeting call to order function;
- a meeting list;
- a meeting floor;
- a means to control said meeting floor;
- a means to make motions; and
- an adjournment function.

47. [Previously Presented] A method for providing and monitoring electronic collaboration among users, comprising the steps of:

accessing an electronic environment supported by an object based client-server architecture;

communicating through said electronic environment supported by said object based client-server architecture; and

applying a set of protocol rules within said electronic environment by virtue of said object based client-server architecture,

wherein said set of protocol rules is based on Robert's Rules of Order and is created by a colored petri net.

48. [Previously Presented] A method for providing and monitoring electronic collaboration among users, comprising the steps of:

accessing an electronic environment supported by an object based client-server architecture;

communicating through said electronic environment supported by said object based client-server architecture;

applying a set of protocol rules within said electronic environment by virtue of said object based client-server architecture,

wherein said object based client-server architecture comprises a collaboration server, a collaboration client, a domain server, and a set of middleware components,

wherein said set of protocol rules is based on Robert's Rules of Order and is created by a colored petri net.

49. [Previously Presented] The method for providing and monitoring electronic collaboration among users according to claim 48 further comprising:

a meeting registration function;

a meeting call to order function;

a meeting list;

a meeting floor;

a means to control said meeting floor;

a means to make motions; and

an adjournment function.